

**CITY OF GONZALES, TEXAS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES –MARCH 10, 2022**

The regular meeting of the City Council was held on **March 10, 2022** at 6:00 p.m. at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street. This was an OPEN MEETING, open to the public, subject to the open meeting laws of the State of Texas and, as required by law, was duly posted, at the Gonzales Municipal Building, giving notice of time, date, place, and agenda thereof. The meeting notice, agenda and agenda packet were posted online at www.gonzales.texas.gov.

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Mayor Kacir called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and a quorum was certified.

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Connie L. Kacir	Mayor	Present
Joseph Kridler	Council Member, District 1	Present
Sherri Koepp	Council Member, District 2	Present
Bobby O’Neal	Council Member, District 3	Present
Ronda Miller	Council Member, District 5	Present

STAFF PARTICIPATING:

Tim Patek-City Manager, Kristina Vega-City Secretary, Tim Crow-Chief of Police, Wade Zella-Fire Chief, Jennifer Kolbe-EDC Director and Laura Zella-Finance Director

CITY EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Announcements of upcoming City Events
- Announcements and recognitions by the City Manager
- Announcements and recognitions by the Mayor-commended City employees for successful events- March 1st Immortal 32 Ceremony, March 2nd Toast to Texas on Texas Heroes Square, March 6th Wreath Laying Ceremony and the Young Texians performed at the Museum Monument commemorating the date that the Alamo fell and March 6th at the Alamo at dawn also memorializing the men that died in the fall of the Alamo, as well as the Texas Independence Relay
- Recognition of actions by City employees
- Recognition of actions by community volunteers

HEARING OF RESIDENTS

Brad Cox-Executive Director of the Chamber spoke in favor of the Capital Racing Small Cycling Event -Gonzo Graveler that is being organized by Brett Kinsey.

OTHER BUSINESS

- 1.1 Mayor Kacir conducted the Ceremonial Swearing in of Police Officer: Juan Jimenez, Jr.
- 1.2 Tim Patek updated the City Council regarding the Director of Tourism position and that the Chamber of Commerce mentioned they would like to wait until after the May 7th Election to make any decisions regarding them taking on any additional responsibilities.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

The Consent Agenda is considered self-explanatory and will be enacted by the Council with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless they are removed from the Consent Agenda upon the request of the Mayor or a Councilmember.

- 2.1 **Minutes** - Approval of the minutes for the February 10, 2022 Regular Meeting
- 2.2 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2022-21** Approving the Recommendation of Gonzales Convention & Visitor Bureau for the Expenditure of Funds in the amount of \$2,500.00 to Jay Hilscher DBA Lone Star Relays for Advertising for the Texas Independence Relay; authorizing street closures and use of City property for the event on March 25 & 26, 2022
- 2.3 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2022-22** Approving the Agreement for Professional Services by and Between the GEDC and B&P Clearing, LLC, A Texas Limited Liability Company in the amount of \$29,280.00
- 2.4 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2022-23** Authorizing Gonzales Main Street's Use of Independence Square including the Parking Lot, Designated Street Closures, Closure of the Brickyard Area at Independence Park, and Sale and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages for the Annual Main Street Concert Series and Star-Spangled Spectacular on June 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th, and July 4, 2022
- 2.5 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2022-24** Authorizing Gonzales Main Street's Use of Independence Square including the Parking Lot, Designated Street Closures, and Sale and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages for the Cinco de Mayo & Trade Days Event on May 7, 2022

ACTION: Items 2.1 through 2.5

APPROVED

Council Member O'Neal moved to approve the consent agenda items 2.1 through 2.5. Council Member Koepf seconded the motion. Mayor Kacir called for a roll call vote. For: Unanimous. The motion passed 5 to 0.

RESOLUTIONS

- 3.1 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2022-25** Accepting the Proposals and Awarding the Contract for the 15-Inch Wastewater Line Project Phase 2 to M&C Fonseca Construction, Inc.

ACTION: Items 3.1

APPROVED

Council Member O'Neal moved to approve **Resolution #2022-25** Accepting the Proposals and Awarding the Contract for the 15-Inch Wastewater Line Project Phase 2 to M&C Fonseca Construction, Inc. Council Member Kridler seconded the motion. Mayor Kacir called for a roll call vote. For: Unanimous. The motion passed 5 to 0.

3.2 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2022-26** Authorizing the purchase of a Phase 1-Shade Structure Building for the Police Department

ACTION: Items 3.2 **APPROVED**
Council Member Kridler moved to approve **Resolution #2022-26** Authorizing the purchase of a Phase 1-Shade Structure Building for the Police Department. Council Member Koepp seconded the motion. Mayor Kacir called for a roll call vote. For: Unanimous. The motion passed 5 to 0.

3.3 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2022-27** Accepting or Rejecting the Bids Received for the Eggleston House Roof Replacement and Structural Repairs Project and if rejected authorizing staff to readvertise the project

ACTION: Items 3.3 **APPROVED**
Council Member O'Neal moved to approve **Resolution #2021-27** Accepting the Bids Received for the Eggleston House Roof Replacement and Structural Repairs Project and awarding the contract to Hodges Construction. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Mayor Kacir called for a roll call vote. For: Unanimous. The motion passed 5 to 0.

3.4 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2022-28** Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Agreement with Gonzales County Emergency Services District No. 2. for Fire Services

ACTION: Items 3.4 **APPROVED**
Council Member Kridler moved to approve **Resolution #2022-28** Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Agreement with Gonzales County Emergency Services District No. 2. for Fire Services. Council Member Koepp seconded the motion. Mayor Kacir called for a roll call vote. For: Unanimous. The motion passed 5 to 0.

3.5 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2022-29** Authorizing the Use of Independence Square Including the Parking Lot for the Gonzo Graveler cycling event on April 23, 2022

ACTION: Items 3.5 **APPROVED**
Council Member Koepp moved to approve **Resolution #2022-29** Authorizing the Use of Independence Square Including the Parking Lot for the Gonzo Graveler cycling event on April 23, 2022. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Mayor Kacir called for a roll call vote. For: Unanimous. The motion passed 5 to 0.

3.6 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2022-30** Authorizing the Gonzales County Veterans Memorial Association to construct a Veterans Memorial on City property located at the corner of Moore & St. Lawrence and approving the City's Financial Contribution to the project

ACTION: Items 3.6

APPROVED

Council Member O’Neal moved to approve **Resolution #2022-30** Authorizing the Gonzales County Veterans Memorial Association to construct a Veterans Memorial on City property located at the corner of Moore & St. Lawrence and approving the City’s Financial Contribution to the project. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Mayor Kacir called for a roll call vote. For: Unanimous. The motion passed 5 to 0.

ORDINANCES

- 4.1 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Ordinance #2022-4** Closing and Abandoning to the Abutting Property Owner a Portion of a Certain Unimproved Street and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Real Property Contract

ACTION: Items 4.1

APPROVED

Council Member Koepp moved to approve **Ordinance #2022-4** Closing and Abandoning to the Abutting Property Owner a Portion of a Certain Unimproved Street and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Real Property Contract. Council Member Kridler seconded the motion. Mayor Kacir called for a roll call vote. For: Unanimous. The motion passed 5 to 0.

- 4.2 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Ordinance #2022-5** Amending the Gonzales Code of Ordinances Chapter 14 Zoning, Related to Posted Sign Notice and Zoning Variances

ACTION: Items 4.2

APPROVED

Council Member O’Neal moved to approve **Ordinance #2022-5** Amending the Gonzales Code of Ordinances Chapter 14 Zoning, Related to Posted Sign Notice and Zoning Variances. Council Member Koepp seconded the motion. Mayor Kacir called for a roll call vote. For: Unanimous. The motion passed 5 to 0.

STAFF/BOARD REPORTS

- 5.1 Finance Director provided feedback on any questions regarding:
- Financial Reports for funds as of February 28, 2022
 - Cash & Investment by Fund as of February 28, 2022
- 5.2 City Manager, Tim Patek updated the City Council on the following:
- Request for Proposal JB Wells Park
 - Potential sale of Surplus real Property
 - Pressure Plane Analysis
 - Timeline on Capital Improvement Projects
 - Recently Completed Projects
 - Projects Currently in Process
 - Upcoming Projects

CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION:

The Council convened into closed session at 6:54 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

6.1 (1) Pursuant to Section 551.087 of the Texas Government Code, the City of Gonzales will consult in closed session (1) to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations; or (2) to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect described by Subdivision (1).

- A) Project A
- B) Project B

(2) Pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code, the City of Gonzales will consult in closed session to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person:

- A) Oil and Gas Leases

(3) Pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, the City of Gonzales will consult in closed session with its attorney to receive legal advice regarding pending or contemplated litigation, a settlement offer, or matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with this chapter”, to include the following matters:

- A) Delinquent Hotel Motel Tax Collection
 - A Guerra Enterprise, LLC. dba Holiday Inn Express & Suites
 - AR Guerra Holdings, LLC dba Sleep Inn and Suites

(4) Pursuant to Section 551.086 of the Texas Government Code, to deliberate, vote or take final action on a competitive matter related to certain public power utilities:

- A) City of Gonzales Electric Utility System-Power Supply and Associated Competitive Matters

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The Council convened into open session at 7:47 p.m.

7.1 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action authorizing to negotiate matters discussed in closed session, and/or other actions necessary or recommended related to such discussions in closed session.

Council Member O'Neal moved authorize the approval of an Oil & Gas Lease for 3.313 acre tract, a 1.66 acre tract and 54.0 acre tract and authorize the City Manager to negotiate the leases. Council Member Kridler seconded the motion. Mayor Kacir called for a roll call vote. For: Unanimous. The motion passed 5 to 0.

CITY COUNCIL REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Requests by Mayor and Councilmembers for items on a future City Council agenda
- Announcements by Mayor and Councilmembers
- City and community events attended and to be attended
- Continuing education events attended and to be attended

ADJOURN

On a motion by Council Member O'Neal and second by Council Member Koeppe, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Approved this 14th day of April, 2022.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary



Connie Kacir, Mayor